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We meet Tuesday 7:15am for 7:40am RACV City Club 501 Bourke Street Melbourne, VIC 3000 Australia

## Upcoming speakers

May 29, 2012 Roger Thornton Our year in Dubai

Jun 19, 2012 Police Mentoring Breakfast

Jun 26, 2012 No weekly meeting Club changeover Friday evening

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## Upcoming events

Horizon's Day Ian McLennan House May 27, 2012 09:00 AM

## Steam Rally with Rotary Club of Echuca Moama

Rotary Park Jun 09, 2012 - Jun 11, 2012

# Police Mentoring Programme graduation breakfast

RACV City Club Jun 19, 2012 07:15 AM

### 25th Changeover Dinner

Athenaeum Club Jun 29, 2012 07:00 PM

## Working Bee in the gardens at McAuley House

McAuley House Jul 07, 2012 09:00 AM

## Camp Getaway working bee weekend

Camp Getaway Aug 03, 2012 - Aug 05, 2012

## Charity Auction

Kooyong Lawn Tennis Club Oct 12, 2012 07:00 PM

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## Changeover Celebration Dinner - Friday 29th June

Posted by David JONES on May 20, 2012

Our 'Next Big Thing' - Kevin's swan song and Kay's taking over the bridge.

Bookings and payments before 18th June please

In brief:

Friday 29th June at 7pm Athenaeum Club Cost \$95 per person

Details are on the web page - 'click' on the link in left column of this bulletin.

Please forward your completed booking form to David Jones. If unable to attend please phone or email David (jomo001@bigpond.com or tel 9899 8676).

## May's Ethical Conundrum

Posted by Justine MURPHY on May 27, 2012

This is one of a series of ethical dilemmas being brought to you each month by the Vocational Service Committee.

### Unions and conflict of interest

You are a union official. One of your members is discovered to have a history of mental illness and is going to be dismissed by his employer on that basis, which you feel clearly is unfair. He has appealed to you in your union role to help him protect his job.

However, the other union members at the workplace share their employer's prejudices and do not want to work with this man because of his mental illness.

They hold an informal meeting where they vote strongly not to support their fellow worker and convey this opinion to the union.

#### **Ethical questions:**

- · What are the issues?
- · Who are the stakeholders?
- What should you do?
- What would you do?
- Was Rotary's 4-Way Test helpful?

Feel free to discuss your views with family, friends and colleagues. You may be surprised at the differences in opinion!

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#### Our Year in Dubai

Roger had worked as consultant to the PNG LNG Project for over five years when, in October 2010, he was asked to work in Dubai for a year. The position was as Industry Liaison Adviser for ExxonMobil on its Southern Iraq oil project West Qurna 1.

Roger showed the email to Pip, who took all of 20 seconds to say, "let's do it!" So, with furniture in store and house rented out, in January last year they headed for Dubai. Amazingly, this city has grown out of the desert in little more than a couple of decades. Now, the slightly quieter pace than pre-GFC makes Dubai a great place to live – good and fast roads, excellent public transport, all manner of restaurants, beautiful beaches and of course, dramatic and extravagant shopping malls

Living in Dubai also allows easy access to all manner of interesting places in and around the UAE – and pursuit of other interests, such as Rotary (Roger) and bridge (Pip), as well as the opportunity to experience a modern Arabic culture.

#### **Duty Roster 29nd May 2012**

Posted by Kay STEVENS on May 27, 2012

**Note:** Duty people are expected to be on duty at RACV at <u>7am</u> as many guests start arriving from this time.

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Chairperson	Joel Siegersma
Sergeant	Peter Lake
Reporter	Dick Mitchell
Greeter	Barrie Tassell
Photographer	Robin Stevens
Door	Inez Dussuyer

#### Meeting Report, Tuesday 22nd May

Posted by Marjorie GERLINGER on May 27, 2012

This morning we welcomed George Mackey as a member of the Club. Kay introduced George as a perfect neighbor, charming, capable and intelligent. George is the Chief Operating Officer of Meemeep.com. He is married to Julie and has a son Cameron. President Kevin then inducted George and introduced him to Gerard Hogan who will be his mentor. George will service on the New Generations committee with Michael Wells.

In his response George apologised that Julie was unable to attend due to supervising a building project that has gone overtime. He said he was pleased to rejoin Rotary (he was a member of Port Macquarie from 1984 to 1989) and that in visiting our club over the last few weeks he found the people and ideals of Rotary were still the same and the major change was that there were more female members.

#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Tony Thomas encouraged members to get involved with the Friendship Exchange program. He and Margaret and Mary Voice with members from other Clubs in the District are about to head off to Leicestershire in the UK.

Kay reminded everyone about Horizons on Sunday 27th and asked that members register online or contact her by email.

Michael Wells asked for a volunteer to collect the MUNA student from Camp Getaway at 3pm on Sunday 27th.

#### PRESIDENT'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

President Kevin thanked Frank and Justine for their efforts in organizing an excellent Vocational visit to Victoria Police last Friday. He also made special mention of Neville Taylor who facilitated this wonderful opportunity for our members and partners.

The Board has agreed that the Community Village project be put forward to become a District

Endorsed program to enable us to involve the other Clubs in the District.

He also encouraged members to volunteer to help our sister club Echuca-Moama at their steam rally over the June long weekend (13 participants have registered to date), to book for the changeover dinner on 29th June and to register to help at the working bee on 7th July in the gardens of McAuley House.

#### SERGEANT'S SESSION

Sergeant Peter Lake started by fining Richard Stone for this birthday, Dick Mitchell for Trish's birthday and Russell Rolls and Kevin Love for their Club Anniversaries. He then proceeded to extract dollars from all those who attended the Victoria Police Vocational Visit by asking them questions on the safety messages given by Superintendent Neville Taylor during the visit. We were listening on the night which enabled Peter to take a good haul as all the questions were answered correctly.

#### **GUEST SPEAKER**

Dr Jillian Cavanagh - Men's Sheds in Australia

Whilst the Men's Shed movement began many years ago, the Australian Men's Shed Assocation (AMSA) was established in 2007. The AMSA is funded by the Federal Government to provide initial and ongoing practical support for the development of all Men's Sheds. There are now more than 740 Men's Sheds in Australia with over 100,000 pre-dominantly male members and numbers continue to grow.

The contemporary Men's Shed is an adaptation of a long existing culture in Australia, where men have always been able to build and restore objects such as furniture, cars and children's toys. As a grassroots community movement Men's Sheds focus on providing an accessible location for men to meet and become involved in a wide range of community-based and personal activities. Men's health has become an important social issue, particularly given our country's ageing population. There is evidence to suggest that men have poorer health outcomes, life expectancy and access healthcare services less frequently as compared to women. Therefore, each Shed becomes more than a repair site because it is a place where men are able to discuss health and other concerns in a safe and nuturing environment.

During her talk Jillian took us through three Men's Sheds located in Queensland, New South Wales and Victoria. She highlighted the differences between them in management, numbers of participants, access to equipment and costs to attend. Jillian has been researching Men's Sheds since February 2011 and has a team of researchers from different disciplines. They are looking at how the sheds are managed, access to health services, workplace health and safety among other issues. She is meeting shortly with the government to present a case for funding to enable a census of all Men's Sheds.



Picutured: Guest Speaker Jillian Cavanagh

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